

**REMARKS**

By way of the foregoing amendments, Claims 1-8 have been amended to delete multiple dependencies, to replace the words "characterized in that" with the word "wherein", and to remove the reference numerals, and to make minor editorial changes. Claims 9-12 have been added. No new matter has been introduced by these changes.

It is requested that the application be examined on the basis of the Abstract and the claims as amended.

Early and favorable consideration with respect to this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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